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## **PRESS RELEASE- FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **PURRFECT ENDING FOR SANTA CLARITA COUPLE**

Santa Clarita, CA— A local Santa Clarita couple has been reunited with their lost cat of two years, thanks to staff at the County of Los Angeles Department of Animal Care and Control's (DACC) Castaic Animal Care Center.

The seven year old, domestic short hair mix (who the couple named Janus back when she was adopted in 2005) was brought to the Castaic Animal Care Center on Sunday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, after being found on the 26000 block of Rainbow Glen Drive, in the City of Santa Clarita.

As a standard procedure, any animal that is brought into DACC's care is scanned for a microchip. Luckily, Janus did have a microchip, but the owner's information was outdated and untraceable. Staff at the Castaic Animal Care Center did some research and was able to discover a matching name at a different address in Palmdale. After being away from her owners for two years, Janus was reunited with her owners on August 16, 2012. The couple was grateful to DACC staff's persistence to locate the owner and expressed their gratitude through a donation to the Castaic Animal Care Center.

"We love to hear stories about animals being reunited with their owners," said DACC director, Marcia Mayeda. "In this instance, the couple is fortunate that our staff did a little bit of investigating and we were able to find a match. This serves as a good reminder for pet parents to remember to update their contact information for their pet's microchips and licenses. It makes all the difference." Mayeda said.

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***The Ruskow's reunited with Janus at the  
Castaic Animal Care Center***